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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a one-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed December 19, 2003, said period of response being extended from March 19, 2004 to April 19, 2004.

Please charge our Deposit Account No. 13-2725 in the amount of \$55.00 to cover the

required extension fee for a small entity.

Respectfully submitted,

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